Request for Proposal Event Coordinator

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Background

The Wikwemikong Trust Agreement is one of the obligations of the Settlement Agreement signed between Wikwemikong Unceded Indian Reserve and Canada for the Point Grondine Indian Reserve No. 3 land claim, settled on February 13, 1995. The approval of the Settlement Agreement required Wikwemikong to create a Trust Agreement "to hold and invest the compensation paid to it by Canada as a long-term asset for the use and benefit of the present and future members of Wikwemikong".

Although not incorporated, the Wikwemikong Trust has a Board of Trustees and a Trust Administrative Support Officer.

We are here for the community and would like to present transparency and open dialogue in a manner that is accessible to current and future beneficiaries, the Wiikwemkoong Unceded Territory band members, for historical and informational purposes.

The Trustees are looking for credible providers who have the capability, experience and knowledge to provide us with expert advice and services. Ideally, providers need to have a good track record with relevant project experience.

1. Key Information

Context:

This Request for Proposal (RFP) is an invitation to suitably qualified professionals to submit a Proposal for ongoing services as **Event Coordinator for the Wikwemikong Trust.**

This RFP is a single-step procurement process.

Our Timeline for this RFP is as Follows:

RFP Release: March 7, 2025

Deadline for Questions: April 4, 2025

Deadline to Respond to Questions: April 11, 2025

Deadline for Proposals: April 18, 2025 (4:00 pm)

Unsuccessful Respondents Notified: May 2, 2025

Successful Respondent Debrief: May 5, 2025

Anticipated Start Date: May 20, 2025

¹Services End: May 20, 2026

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¹ Service will end one year from actual start date and may be open for renewal.

How to Contact Us:

All enquiries must be directed to our Point of Contact via email. We will manage all external communications through this Point of Contact.

Our Point of Contact:

Trust Administrative Support Officer

Email: trust@amtelecom.net

Address for Submitting your Proposal:

Proposals are to be submitted electronically in PDF via email to the following address: trust@amtelecom.net

Developing and Submitting Your Proposal:

- 1. This is an open, competitive tender process. This RFP sets out the process and conditions that apply.
- 2. If anything is unclear or if you have a question, the Point of Contact is available via email.
- 3. Include a scanned signature page with your Proposal via email.
- 4. You <u>must</u> submit a Workplan based on the action items provided by Wikwemikong Trust (See Appendix "A") that will include columns for: Lead Person/Group; Target Dates; Resources; Deliverable; Evaluation; and Status. You must also submit a Schedule and Budget with your Proposal. <u>Submissions without these will not be considered</u>.

Offer Validity Period:

In submitting a Proposal, the Respondent agrees that their Proposal will remain open for acceptance by the Wikwemikong Trust for two months from the Deadline for Proposals.

Later Changes to the RFP or to the RFP Process:

If after publishing the RFP, we need to change anything about the RFP or RFP process, or want to provide suppliers with additional information we will let all suppliers know via email.

2. Our Requirements

This section outlines what we require in your Proposal submission.

What We Require From You:

- 1. Provide your name or your business's name (if applicable) and address and the year the business was founded, as well as the name, title, telephone number, and e-mail address for our primary contact with regard to this Request for Proposal.
- 2. Provide a brief history of your business (if applicable).
- 3. Provide a history of:
 - a. Past work references related to this scope of work;
 - b. Previous work and experience;
 - c. Similar client relationships with indigenous organizations/communities.
- 4. Provide proof of business registration, registration in your field of work, provide proof of your good standing, and any disciplinary orders (if applicable).

- 5. Provide the name(s) of your employee(s) and/or service providers who will be responsible for providing the work. Identify any professionals who will be involved with the work, and their area(s) of responsibility.
- 6. Provide a detailed Workplan based on action plan provided by the Wikwemikong Trust (see Appendix "A"), Schedule and Budget for the project in entirety including but not limited to:
 - A sample event plan describing how you developed these in consultation with the client.
 - Provide a detailed budget including all communication and reporting costs.
- 7. If your business plans to employ any subcontractors to perform any of the work, provide to us, describe the functions that you are proposing to out-source and your approach to supervise the performance of your subcontractors. Provide an executed copy of your confidentiality agreement with each of these subcontractors.
- 8. With regard to your communication with Trustees, provide a brief description of the communication process. Indicate the frequency with which you expect to initiate communication.
- 9. Provide any additional information you believe relevant.
- 10. Include in your Proposal submission whether or not there are any real or perceived conflicts of interest that should be disclosed at this time.

Contract term:

We anticipate that the Contract will begin on **May 20, 2025**. The Contract will be ongoing for one (1) calendar year from actual start date and open for annual renewal.

Key outcomes:

The Trust requires an Event Coordinator with professional qualifications, reputation and integrity in order to complete the required tasks in a timely and efficient manner. The Event Coordinator's responsibilities will include the following:

- 1. Well planned events that are documented with statistics and evaluation metrics.
- 2. Reporting to Trustees and to the community.
- 3. Ensure high participant attendance rate at events (heavy promoting). (same as comms consultant)
- 4. Effective logistics management (room/venue booking, catering/refreshments, hiring/contracting, travel etc.)

3. Our Evaluation Approach

This section sets out the evaluation approach that will be used to assess Proposals.

Evaluation Model:

The evaluation model that will be used is a weighted attribute model. Price is the weighted criterion. This means that all Proposals that are capable of full delivery on time will be shortlisted.

Evaluation Criteria:

Proposals will be evaluated on their merits according to the following evaluation criteria and weightings.

Criterion:	Weighting:	
Relevance of Experience	30%	
Capability of the Respondent	30%	
Quality of Workplan		25%
Sample WorkplanSample BudgetDescription of process & methodology		
Price Structure • Flat rate per year or per event(s) • Billing per hour		15%
	Total Weightings	100%

Scoring:

In marking Proposals, the panel will use the following scale.

Rating	Definition	Score
EXCELLENT	Exceeds the criterion. Exceptional demonstration by the Respondent of the relevant ability, understanding, experience, skills, resource and quality measures required to meet the criterion. Proposal identifies factors that will offer potential added value, with supporting evidence.	9-10
GOOD	Satisfies the criterion with minor additional benefits. Above average demonstration by the Respondent of the relevant ability, understanding, experience, skills, resource and quality measures required to meet the criterion. Proposal identifies factors that will offer potential added value, with supporting evidence.	7-8
ACCEPTABLE	Satisfies the criterion. Demonstration by the Respondent of the relevant ability, understanding, experience, skills, resource, and quality measures required to meet the criterion, with supporting evidence.	5-6
MINOR RESERVATIONS	Satisfies the criterion with minor reservations. Some minor reservations of the Respondent's relevant ability, understanding, experience, skills, resource and quality measures required to meet the criterion, with little or no supporting evidence.	3-4
SERIOUS RESERVATIONS	Satisfies the criterion with major reservations. Considerable reservations of the respondent's relevant ability, understanding, experience, skills, resource and quality measures required to meet the criterion, with little or no supporting evidence.	1-2
UNACCEPTABLE	Does not meet the criterion. Does not comply and/or insufficient information provided to demonstrate that the Respondent has the ability, understanding, experience, skills, resource and quality	0

measures required to meet the criterion, with little or no supporting	
evidence.	

4. Confidentiality

The Consultant acknowledges that certain of the material and information made available to the Consultant by the Client in the performance of the Services (the "Confidential Information") will be of a confidential nature. The Consultant recognizes that the Confidential Information is the sole and exclusive property of the Client, and the Consultant shall use its best efforts and exercise utmost diligence to protect and maintain the confidentiality of the Confidential Information. The Consultant shall not, directly or indirectly, use the Confidential Information for its own benefit, or disclose to another any Confidential Information, whether or not acquired, learned, obtained or developed by the Consultant alone or in conjunction with others, except as such disclosure or use may be required in connection with the performance of the Services or as may be consented to in writing by the Client.

The Confidential Information is and shall remain the sole and exclusive property of the Client regardless of whether such information was generated by the Consultant or by others, and the Consultant agrees that upon termination of this Agreement it shall deliver promptly to the Client all such tangible parts of the Confidential Information including records, data, notes, reports, proposals, client lists, correspondence, materials, marketing or sales information, computer programs, equipment, or other documents or property which are in the possession or under the control of the Consultant without retaining copies thereof.

Each of the foregoing obligations of the Consultant in this clause shall also apply to any confidential information of customers, joint venture parties, contractors and other entities, of any nature whatsoever, with whom the Client or any associate or affiliate of the Client has business relations.

Notwithstanding the foregoing provisions of this clause, the Consultant shall not be liable for the disclosure or use of any of the Confidential Information to the extent that:

- a) The Confidential Information is or becomes available to the public from a source other than the Consultant and through no fault of the Consultant; or
- b) The Confidential Information is lawfully obtained by the Consultant from a third party or a source outside of this Agreement.

The covenants and agreements contained in this clause shall survive the termination of this Agreement.

APPENDIX "A"

TABLES INCLUDE APPLICABLE EXCERPTS FROM WIKWEMIKONG TRUST COMMUNICATION PLAN

Goal 1 of 4 from Communication Plan

Priority	Action Required	Lead Person/Group	Resources	Target Date	Deliverables (How goal is delivered, include	Evaluation	Status
					timelines)		
1	Podcasting,	Communications	Past/present	TBD -	PowerPoint, Video/audio		
	YouTube, Facebook,	Consultant /	Trustees; Trust	Communications	recording, live feeds;		
	live feeds	Event	Settlement	Consultant Workplan	lunch & learns		
	(language)	Coordinator,	signatories; Trust				
		TASO	Administrator				

Goal 3 of 4 from Communication Plan

Priority	Action Required	Lead Person/Group	Resources	Target Date	Deliverables (How goal is delivered, include timelines)	Evaluation	Status
1	Community	Event	Former Trustees,	Community Open	Workshops/summit	Scorecard,	
	Communication	Coordinator	Information Kits,	House (July 2025)	(Locations: highschool/on-	Survey	
	(Outreach)	/Communicatio	AGM materials,		off-reserve)	(developme	
		ns Consultant/	FAQ & QR Code,	Trust Open House	Public speaking contest for	nt of one is	
		TASO	Education Director	(TBD)	age categories. (Financial	required)	
					Literacy Month November)		
				Financial Literacy	Foster understanding of		
				Month (November	ideas (winners would		
				2025)	receive a GIC, RESP.; Trust		
					Open house/Community		
					open house; Conference;		
					Craft & Learn; Crosswords		
					(lingo); Youth		
					selling/trading camp		